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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed on May 12, 2008, Applicants request consideration and entry of the following amendments. This submission is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination and an RCE fee under 1.17(e).

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 6 of this paper.